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- Ms. Rosalie Mulé, Chairperson
- Ms. Rosario Marin
- Mr. Carl Washington

STAFF

- Ms. Julie Nauman, Chief Deputy Director
- Mr. Howard Levenson, Deputy Director
- Mr. Elliot Block, Staff Counsel
- Ms. Mary Madison-Johnson
- Mr. Wes Mindermann, Supervisor, Solid Waste Cleanup Programs
- Mr. Bea Poroli
- Ms. Carla Repucci
- Ms. Geri Stryker, Supervisor, Permitting & Inspection South Central

ALSO PRESENT

- Ms. Jackie Adams, San Bernardino Local Enforcement Agency
- Mr. John Boucher, Bryan A. Stirrat & Associates
- Mr. George Eowan, L&D Landfill
- Mr. Emilio Huerta, Stonybrook Corporation
- Mr. Mike Lien, L&D Landfill
- $\operatorname{Mr.}$ Art Rivera, San Bernardino County Department of Public Works

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PROCEEDINGS 1 2 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Good morning, everyone. Good morning welcome to the September 12th meeting of the 3 4 Permitting and Enforcement Committee. There are agendas 5 on the back table. And if anyone would like to speak on 6 an item, please fill out a speaker's form, which are also 7 in the back, and bring it forward to Donnell, and then you'll have an opportunity to address the Committee. 8 9 Also, I would like to ask you to please turn off your cell phones and pagers or put them in the silent 10 mode. And, Donnell, would you please call the roll. 11 SECRETARY DUCLO: Members Marin? 12 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Present. 14 SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington? 15 Mulé? CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Present. 16 Board Member Washington his plane is late and he 17 will be here probably around 10:30. So we will commence 18 19 the meeting, however. Do we have any ex partes, Board Chair Marin? 20 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: No, I'm up to date. 22 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: And I'm up to date as well. 23 Mr. Levenson, could you provide us with your

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Thank you, Madam

Deputy Director's report.

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- 1 Chair, and good morning, Member Marin as well. Howard
- 2 Levenson with the Permitting and Enforcement Division.
- 3 I've got a few items to update you on.
- 4 One is to let you know I reported last month that
- 5 we'll be coordinating some follow ups to our fire and
- 6 stored waste piles workshop. We will be having 3 regional
- 7 coordination meetings for LEAs and local fire officials in
- 8 November. They're going to be in Fresno on November 2nd,
- 9 Marysville on November 9th, and Irvine on November 29th.
- 10 And these will serve as an opportunity for all the parties
- 11 in those areas to get together and exchange information
- 12 about fire plans and response kinds of conditions and
- 13 management issues.
- 14 After that, we'll be consolidating the results
- 15 for the State Fire Marshal, and he'll be convening an
- 16 advisory group to look at whether fire plan requirements
- 17 might be incorporated either as a model ordinance and
- 18 State Building Standards or as new regulations under the
- 19 Fire Marshal's Title 19.
- 20 So those will be posted on the events calendar,
- 21 and we'll get more information to you as we come closer to
- 22 that date.
- 23 I want to let you know that we completed the
- 24 filing along with the Water Board on the RD&D regs for
- 25 Subtitle D. We filed those regulations with the Office of

- 1 Administrative Law on August 24th. The OAL has 30 working
- 2 days to look at those regulations, so we anticipate a
- 3 decision by OAL no later than October 6th. We requested
- 4 an immediate effective date upon OAL's approval. And
- 5 after that permit could be issued. Although, operations
- 6 wouldn't be sanctioned to actually begin until the U.S.
- 7 EPA has approved our revision of the regulations and made
- 8 sure that it's in conformance with the Subtitle D program.
- 9 Scott Walker and Deb Borzelleri have initiated
- 10 discussions with the U.S. EPA to ensure that we receive
- 11 their approval in a timely manner. And I believe they'll
- 12 be going over to San Francisco to talk to Region staff
- 13 either this week or next weak.
- 14 I'd also like to update you on the BKK project.
- 15 We've had, as you might expect, some delays and continuing
- 16 challenges, but we're happy to report that after rebidding
- 17 and resolving a number of technical issues, the contractor
- 18 has restarted closure and remediation of the Class 3
- 19 landfill.
- 20 As you know, in June we approved funding -- the
- 21 Board approved funding of \$1.2 million from the Solid
- 22 Waste Trust Fund to ensure the closure and remediation
- 23 that will be completed to meet minimum standards. An
- 24 additional \$5 million is available in an escrow account
- 25 that the Board controls to complete the project -- the

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- 1 closure project.
- 2 Because of the revised bid costs being higher
- 3 than previously anticipated, it's likely going to result
- 4 in less than the 5 full feet of vegetative layer that the
- 5 regional water board would like. But there will be at
- 6 least 2 and a half feet of vegetative soil layer. And the
- 7 water board has conveyed that that should be acceptable
- 8 along with continued monitoring. So we're confident that
- 9 that will provide a high level of environmental
- 10 protection.
- 11 The City of West Covina has been cooperative and
- 12 staff continues to work with all the parties to facilitate
- 13 this project and get it done. And that will of course
- 14 lead to the City's vision being more possible for a major
- 15 redevelopment area. And really Scott Walker has carried
- 16 the weight on this, and he has been kind of the fulcrum
- 17 for all the discussions and debates. And he's kept it
- 18 cool between the contractors and BKK and the City and
- 19 various other parties. So Scott really deserves --
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: You're not requesting an
- 21 increase in your salary?
- (Laughter.)
- 23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: No, Scott really
- 24 deserves a lot of credit.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Yeah. Thank you, Scott, for

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- 1 all your work on this.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: He wants a salary
- 3 increase.
- 4 (Laughter.)
- 5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Last August 22nd, we
- 6 did have a workshop on AB 1497, and the permit
- 7 implementation regulations. You've probably noticed a few
- 8 letters coming your way in the last day or 2 from various
- 9 stakeholders, including some addressed to legislators.
- 10 We're looking at those comments. You know, we plan to
- 11 return to the Committee either in October or November for
- 12 further direction on that informal reg package.
- 13 If the comments are too disparate, we may decide
- 14 to hold another workshop before coming back to you, but
- 15 right now we're still in the informal phase and we're glad
- 16 to get those comments and try and deal with those with the
- 17 stakeholders.
- 18 As usual, I want to let you know what's coming
- 19 up. We have a workshop this afternoon on LEA Operator
- 20 Training and Certification issues. That will be at
- 21 followed some point in the next few months with an agenda
- 22 item for your consideration as to providing us further
- 23 direction.
- Next Monday we have a workshop on -- an informal
- 25 workshop on landfill gas monitoring regulations -- I mean

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- 1 landfill gas monitoring and equipment regulations.
- 2 Next week there will be the CCDEH annual meeting
- 3 that Ms. Mulé and myself Mark Leary are attending, so
- 4 we'll report back on that.
- 5 On October 3rd after the P&E Committee, we have a
- 6 special board meeting regarding the Madera LEA potential
- 7 decertification issue.
- 8 October 24th we have another workshop on
- 9 post-closure maintenance issues, this time focused on the
- 10 technical aspects of that issue. And then as I mentioned
- 11 in November we have the various fire coordination
- 12 meetings.
- So a lot on the docket for Permitting and
- 14 Enforcement in the next couple months.
- 15 That completes my report. I'd be happy to answer
- 16 any questions that you have.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Any questions?
- 18 Thank you, Howard. And, again, I want to thank
- 19 you and staff for all your hard work on all of these
- 20 issues. They're all very important, and we appreciate
- 21 your work on those.
- 22 With that, I'd like to go to our first item for
- 23 consideration.
- Howard.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Okay. Item 1, which

- 1 will be presented by Wes Mindermann, is consideration of
- 2 the scope of work for the engineering services contract
- 3 for the landfill and disposal site remediation under the
- 4 Solid Waste Disposal and Co-Disposal Site Cleanup Program.
- 5 This is funding from the Solid Waste Disposal Trust Fund.
- 6 And it would be requesting multi-year approval for fiscal
- 7 years 2005/6, 6/7 and 7/8.
- 8 And before Wes gets into it, he'll be providing
- 9 quite a bit of background -- not -- he'll be providing
- 10 some background on this contract, and in Item 2, our
- 11 environmental services contract. These are all the
- 12 contracts that we use to provide services to investigate
- 13 sites and then go ahead and remediate under Board managed
- 14 cleanup projects.
- 15 So there's a sequence of items here that are
- 16 related to the program.
- 17 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 18 Presented as follows.)
- 19 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 20 MINDERMANN: Good morning. Item B before you this morning
- 21 is for consideration of a scope of work for our
- 22 engineering services contract under the Solid Waste
- 23 Disposal and Co-Disposal Site Cleanup Program.
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- 25 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR

- 1 MINDERMANN: As with every contract item, I thought it
- 2 would be good to provide a brief update on the legislation
- 3 in the program. Public Resources Code section 48021(b)
- 4 authorizes the Board, essentially, to contract out
- 5 directly for cleanups. So that's the authorization for
- 6 these contracts.
- 7 Public Resources Code 48027(b) also sets up the
- 8 Solid Waste Disposal Site Cleanup Trust Fund, and says,
- 9 "The money in the trust fund is continuously appropriated
- 10 to the Board for expenditure without regard to fiscal year
- 11 for the purposes of this article."
- 12 --000--
- 13 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 14 MINDERMANN: Under the cleanup program, we essentially
- 15 have 2 types of contracts. One is environmental services,
- 16 which actually performs the remediations. And one is
- 17 engineering services, which actually provides support to
- 18 the program to perform the remediation.
- 19 I just want to illustrate here, the highlighted
- 20 contract, the contract with Bryan A. Stirrat and
- 21 Associates, is the contract we're talking about in this
- 22 item. We'll go over the environmental services contracts
- 23 in the next item. This contract expires in May of 2006.
- 24 And the current funding level is approximately \$400,000.
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- 1 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 2 MINDERMANN: What we're asking the Board to do here today
- 3 is to approve the scope of work and authorize us to go out
- 4 and obtain a new contractor. The objective of this
- 5 contract is essentially to support the program in
- 6 performing timely remediations by providing engineering
- 7 support.
- 8 The scope of work is provided in Attachment 1 of
- 9 the item. And if you look at it, it's essentially a wide
- 10 range of engineering services that we could potentially
- 11 use on remediations throughout the state.
- 12 Another thing to note is it's a work-order based
- 13 contracted. So how we essentially do work is we determine
- 14 what services we need, and then issue work orders for
- 15 those specific services in the amount that we determine
- 16 needs to be paid.
- 17 The funding for the contract is, as Howard said,
- 18 is essentially a multi-year. We're proposing for this
- 19 fiscal year to have an initial allocation of \$500,000.
- 20 We're proposing in fiscal year 2006/2007 to add \$300,000,
- 21 and in 2007/2008 to add another \$400,000.
- 22 The one thing I want to point out here is we've
- 23 written into the scope of work too that these funding
- 24 allocations may be adjusted depending on the demand or
- 25 need. You know, we try to project out as far as we can.

- 1 We try to keep money in the contract for services that we
- 2 think we may need, but, you know, it's hard to tell. So
- 3 fiscal year 2005/2006 won't change, but 2006/2007 and
- 4 2007/2008 may change depending on the need.
- 5 The contract term, we're hoping to execute the
- 6 contracts with Board approval by April 2006 with the
- 7 current contract expiring in May of 2006. That will
- 8 provide a slight overlap where we can probably transition
- 9 fairly easily. And these contracts are proposed to
- 10 terminate in May of 2008.
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- 12 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 13 MINDERMANN: That really concludes staff's presentation.
- 14 We're recommending the Board adopt resolution number
- 15 2005-236 and approve the scope of work to implement the
- 16 engineering services contract and authorize staff to
- 17 develop and advertise a Request For Qualifications and
- 18 select a contractor for presentation to the Board.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Any questions?
- Thank you, Wes
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Madam Chair, not a
- 22 question, but rather I'd really like to applaud this
- 23 particular committee. I love the fact that we're going
- 24 for Request For Qualifications. I like the fact that
- 25 we're going for bidding. You know, even -- this has

- 1 nothing -- this is not a reflection of the great work that
- 2 our current contractors are doing just the opposite. And
- 3 I really, really appreciate that. I cannot thank enough
- 4 the Committee and the staff for going this route.
- 5 You know, this should never allow anybody to
- 6 criticize this Board of sweetheart contracts and the like.
- 7 By taking this extra step, we're really furthering the
- 8 integrity of all the contracts we award. So I really
- 9 appreciate that. I know it's cumbersome.
- 10 And I don't know whether our engineers are here
- 11 right now, the people that we have this contract with.
- 12 But let me just say that going for Request For
- 13 Qualifications in no way, shape or form suggests that
- 14 they're not doing a great job. They are. But this is to
- 15 further the integrity of the awarding of the contracts and
- 16 I really appreciate that. I really do.
- 17 With that, unless you're going to say anything,
- 18 I'd like to move this item.
- 19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: And I'll just thank
- 20 you on behalf of staff and indicate that there is a lot of
- 21 work that goes behind the scenes on an RFQ or an RFP. And
- 22 it involves program staff, but also legal and admin, so
- 23 there is a lot that goes on, and that's appreciated.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. We have a motion to
- 25 approve and I will second that.

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- 1 Would you call the roll, Donnell.
- 2 SECRETARY DUCLO: Marin?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington?
- 5 Mulé?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Aye.
- 7 And that is motion to approve Resolution 2005-236
- 8 for the record. So we will put this on fiscal consent,
- 9 but what we'll do --
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: We don't need to have
- 11 it on fiscal consent, because this is just the scope of
- 12 work.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Oh, okay.
- 14 And what we'll do though is we will also hold
- 15 these and Board Member Washington can come in later and
- 16 vote on these.
- 17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: We anticipate
- 18 returning to you in March with an item for award of the
- 19 contractor on both this and the next -- the RFQs under the
- 20 next item.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. Thanks, Howard.
- The next item, which is Committee Item C, Board
- 23 Agenda Item 2.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Another short title
- 25 from Wes. Consideration of the scope of work for the

- 1 environmental services contracts for landfill and disposal
- 2 site remediation under the Solid Waste Disposal and
- 3 Co-Disposal Site Cleanup Program, again, from the Solid
- 4 Waste Disposal Trust Fund for 3 fiscal years 05/06, 06/07
- 5 and 07/08.
- 6 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 7 Presented as follows.)
- 8 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 9 MINDERMANN: Thank you, Howard. Again, Madam Chair and
- 10 Members of the Committee, this is very similar to our
- 11 previous item, with one difference. In this item we're
- 12 talking about our environmental services or cleanup
- 13 contractors, which are the contracts that I have
- 14 highlighted on this slide for you.
- 15 You can see the current contracts both again
- 16 expire in May of 2006. We're hoping to get an agreement
- 17 executed prior to that so we can transition over easily.
- 18 And, as Howard indicated, we would be to the Board
- 19 hopefully in March of 2006 with a recommendation to the
- 20 Board for 2 contracts.
- 21 You can also see the funding levels here. We
- 22 currently have about \$500,000 in our Diani contract, and
- 23 about \$1.4 million in our Guinn contract. Now one thing I
- 24 want to point out too is when these contracts expire, the
- 25 funds that are currently in the contract will revert back

- 1 to the trust fund. So in other words, we don't lose the
- 2 use of those funds. They'll revert back into the Solid
- 3 Waste Trust Fund.
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- 5 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 6 MINDERMANN: Another similar slide with some changes here.
- 7 The objective of these programs is to -- or these
- 8 contracts is to support the program in performing timely
- 9 remediations by providing cleanup services. We have 2
- 10 different scopes of work which are included in your
- 11 attachments 1 and 2 of the agenda item.
- 12 Again, if you read them, you can see that they
- 13 provide a wide variety of cleanup services that we
- 14 anticipate can be used on sites throughout California.
- 15 One thing we're doing a little differently with
- 16 these contracts is we are actually going to have a
- 17 geographic split. We're going to have a northern
- 18 California contract and a southern California contract.
- 19 And essentially it's based on how the Board has defined
- 20 northern and southern California with that split right
- 21 about the San Luis Obispo county line.
- 22 We have added a provision though that each of the
- 23 contracts will serve as the backup for another -- or the
- 24 other, in case there is some sort of a condition where one
- 25 contractor is busy and can't provide the resources or one

- 1 contractor has specialized resources that we may need in
- 2 the other geographic region.
- 3 Again, these are going to be work-order based
- 4 contracts, so we'll be issuing work orders for various
- 5 types of work during the contract period. With respect to
- 6 funding, keep in mind now, we're going to have 2
- 7 contracts. For this fiscal year 2005/2006, we're
- 8 proposing one and a half million dollars for each
- 9 contract. As we move down the subsequent fiscal years,
- 10 2006/2007 and 2007/2008 inclusive, we're proposing another
- 11 one and three-quarter million in each of those contracts.
- 12 And again I want to point out that for the future
- 13 fiscal years, these are just estimates that those numbers
- 14 may change based on the actual need that we have. The
- 15 contract term is very similar to the other one, we need to
- 16 have these contracts executed by April, and they will
- 17 terminate in May 2008.
- 18 And just to point out really quickly, the
- 19 pictures that you're seeing are actually on the slides to
- 20 make it a little more interesting are actually our
- 21 remediation projects. And this one was the Sonoma
- 22 Developmental Center up in Sonoma where we were cleaning
- 23 up a burn dump over the side of a hill.
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- 25 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR

- 1 MINDERMANN: To conclude, we're recommending that the
- 2 Board adopt Resolution numbers 2005-237 and 2005-263 and
- 3 approve the scopes of work to implement the environmental
- 4 services contracts and authorize staff to develop and
- 5 advertise our Request For Qualifications and select
- 6 contractors for presentation to the Board, as Howard
- 7 indicated, hopefully in March of 2007.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Wes. Are there any
- 9 questions for Wes?
- 10 I was just going to say that let the record
- 11 reflect that Board Member Washington has joined us.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Thank you.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Madam Chair.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: My rationale is the same
- 15 as I stated before, I really appreciate the staff work on
- 16 this. And with that, I'll move approval of Resolution
- 17 2005-237 and 2005-263.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Second.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. We have a motion by
- 20 Board Chair Marin and seconded by Board Member Washington.
- 21 I think, do we need to call the roll separately on these
- 22 then?
- Okay, first 2005-237, call the roll please.
- 24 SECRETARY DUCLO: Marin?
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Aye.

17 SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington? 1 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye. 2 SECRETARY DUCLO: Mulé? 3 4 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Aye. 5 And please call the roll on 2005-263. 6 SECRETARY DUCLO: Marin? 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Aye. SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington? 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye. 9 SECRETARY DUCLO: Mulé? 10 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Aye. 11 Okay, we can put both of hose on consent. And 12 13 let's go back, Board Member Washington, on Item 1. We had 14 a recommendation to approve the scope of work for Item 1. Board Member Marin and myself approved that. So if we 15 could call the -- have your vote on this. 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Washington aye. 17 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. So now, we've got a 3-0 18 vote on September Board Item 1. 19 And then for September Board Item 2, we'll put 20 21 that on consent as well. 22 Okay, our next item is Committee Item D, Board 23 Item 3. DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Item D is 24 25 consideration of new projects for the Solid Waste Disposal

- 1 and Co-Disposal Site Cleanup Program, again, from the
- 2 Solid Waste Disposal Trust Fund from fiscal year
- 3 2005-2006.
- 4 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 5 Presented as follows.)
- 6 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 7 MINDERMANN: Thank you, Howard. Wed Mindermann from the
- 8 Solid Waste Cleanup Program.
- 9 The sites for your consideration this morning are
- 10 2 small illegal disposal sites on land owned by the
- 11 Stoneybrook Corporation, a nonprofit organization that
- 12 provides support for service-related functions performed
- 13 by the United Farmworkers, American Federation of Labor
- 14 and Congress of Industrial Organizations.
- 15 The Stoneybrook Corporation allows the use of the
- 16 property as La Paz, the historic headquarters and final
- 17 resting place of the late civil rights and farm labor
- 18 leader Cesar Chavez. The property has offices, training
- 19 facilities an auditorium, galleries, a visitor's center
- 20 and a memorial center.
- 21 I want to note here also that the Cesar E. Chavez
- 22 Foundation was selected in mid-December to receive a \$2.5
- 23 million grant from the California Cultural and Historical
- 24 Endowment of the California State Library. The grant will
- 25 help fund construction of the Cesar E. Chavez Learning

- 1 Institute. Last year the foundation completed the
- 2 construction of the Cesar E. Chavez Memorial and visitor's
- 3 center also.
- 4 The waste at the 2 sites will be consolidated
- 5 with other waste and burn ash in a Kern County burn dump,
- 6 which is also located on the Stoneybrook property. As a
- 7 result of it being a burn dump, staff have conducted the
- 8 required consolidation with the State Water Resources
- 9 Control Board, the Department of Toxic Substances Control,
- 10 in accordance with Public Resources Code Section
- 11 48022.5(f).
- 12 The required site consultation was conducted in
- 13 September of 2004, at which time it was determined that
- 14 the Board would serve as the lead remediation oversight
- 15 agency.
- 16 Staff have prioritized this site with all the
- 17 other sites that we know about and have given it a
- 18 priority A2, which is a confirmed condition of pollution
- 19 or nuisance from solid waste based on a comparison with
- 20 state minimum standards with significant residential,
- 21 industrial, park, recreation or environmentally sensitive
- 22 areas within 1 mile.
- 23 Our cost estimate for the work is going to be
- 24 \$150,000. Staff are recommending a waiver of cost
- 25 recovery for the Stoneybrook Corporation for reasons as

- 1 outlined on in the agenda item attachment.
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- 3 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 4 MINDERMANN: That concludes my presentation. Staff are
- 5 recommending the Board adopt Resolution Number 2005-238
- 6 and approve the project and waive cost recovery against
- 7 the Stoneybrook Corporation.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. We do have one speaker,
- 9 Mr. Emilio Huerta.
- 10 MR. HUERTA: Good morning.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Morning.
- 12 MR. HUERTA: Thank you, Madam Chair and Members
- 13 of the Committee. One thing I would like to emphasize,
- 14 the nonprofit organization, by the name of Stoneybrook,
- 15 has owned this property since 1970. The 2 orphan sites
- 16 and the county site were never operated or there was never
- 17 any waste that was added to these sites by the Stoneybrook
- 18 Corporation or any of its nonprofit affiliates.
- 19 All of the waste that exists there on the
- 20 property the one county burn site was operated until the
- 21 early 1960s when it was shut down. The 2 other orphan
- 22 sites were operated in the late 1800s, early 1900s. So at
- 23 no time did the Stoneybrook Corporation add to or
- 24 contribute to any of the 3 sites.
- 25 And for that reason, I would like to emphasize

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1 and request that cost recovery should be foregone in this

- 2 situation.
- 3 Thank you for your consideration.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you. Do we have any
- 5 questions?
- 6 Madam Chair.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Not a question, but
- 8 rather thank you very much for being here, Mr. Huerta. I
- 9 really appreciate it. I have been to that place. I
- 10 visited the site, not on my capacity as a Board Member,
- 11 but I've had the privilege of being in that location.
- 12 It's a truly -- it's very inspiring actually just to be on
- 13 the grounds where such a wonderful man was laid to rest.
- But my question has to do with how do we
- 15 prevent -- because, Mr. Huerta, you may not know that when
- 16 we go out there and clean, one of the biggest things we
- 17 want to do is make sure that this doesn't happen again.
- 18 And so if we could just make sure, and I don't know how we
- 19 do it, Howard, that we understand that you had nothing to
- 20 do with this particular site being illegally disposed --
- 21 what do you call it? A disposal site.
- But we want to make sure that it doesn't reoccur.
- 23 And so is there anything that we tell our recipients when
- 24 we go out there and clean it, make sure that we prevent it
- 25 from happening again. I don't think that it will happen

- 1 again, but to emphasize that.
- 2 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR
- 3 MINDERMANN: Right. Well, I think the important thing to
- 4 note -- the important thing to note on these 2 sites, is
- 5 really they're the result of historic dumping practices.
- 6 As Mr. Huerta indicated, I mean, these sites date back to
- 7 the early 1900s and possibly the late 1800s. And I think,
- 8 you know, probably no one better than the Stoneybrook
- 9 Corporation now is aware of the -- you know what are the
- 10 implications of illegal dumping are having, you know,
- 11 these problems sites on their property.
- 12 But, you know, we will be working with the LEA.
- 13 This will be going into another burn dump, which will be
- 14 inspected by the local enforcement agency and maintained
- 15 in compliance with State minimum standards. So, you know,
- 16 that's how we kind of addressed these issues on these
- 17 historic or what I call legacy sites.
- 18 MR. HUERTA: And I would just like to add that as
- 19 Mr. Mindermann has mentioned that when Mr. Chavez passed
- 20 away, and there was quite a bit of discussion as to where
- 21 his final resting place would be located, we made a
- 22 commitment, as individuals who are part of the farm worker
- 23 movement, to preserve the property known as La Paz. Mrs.
- 24 Chavez came to us and said, I will only allow you to bury
- 25 Cesar here, if you promise never to abandon, preserve and

- 1 to always make sure that this resting place will always be
- 2 dedicated to Cesar Chavez.
- 3 And so we made that commitment to her in 1993.
- 4 And, as yourself has referenced, since then we have done a
- 5 lot to sort of preserve the property to improve -- up
- 6 until 1990, we probably did very little with the property,
- 7 other than allowing it to be used as a retreat center.
- 8 But since then, we've built the education center, we've
- 9 built the memorial garden. And so we've made quite a few
- 10 improvements.
- 11 It's in a rural area. And the County has taken
- 12 measures to ensure that there's no more illegal dumping
- 13 that takes place in the area. There's a proper dump site
- 14 a mile away from there. The community residents know that
- 15 this is property of historic value to us. So there's
- 16 quite a few things that we've done to ensure that these
- 17 type of events will never happen again.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you.
- 19 MR. HUERTA: I would just like to thank Mr.
- 20 Mindermann and Jeff Cornette for allowing us to present
- 21 this proposal and helping us put this together.
- Thank you.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, again. Thank you,
- 24 Wes.
- 25 Any questions Mr. Washington?

- 1 Do I have a motion?
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Madam Chair, I'd
- 3 like to move adoption of Resolution 2005-238.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Second.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: We have a motion by Board
- 6 Member Washington seconded by Board Chair Marin.
- 7 Please call the roll.
- 8 SECRETARY DUCLO: Marin?
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Aye.
- 10 SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington?
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye.
- 12 SECRETARY DUCLO: Mulé?
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Aye.
- Okay, and this will go on fiscal consent.
- 15 Our next item is Item E, September Board Item 4.
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: This item is
- 17 consideration of the grant awards for the Farm and Ranch
- 18 Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program from the
- 19 Farm and Ranch Cleanup Account, fiscal year 2005/2006.
- 20 Carla Repucci is going to make the presentation.
- 21 Before she does, I want to indicate that this item
- 22 concerns 7 particular grant applications. We've just
- 23 become aware today or in the last day or 2 of a newspaper
- 24 article in the Point Reyes Light dated September 8th in
- 25 which there are some allegations by the LEA about how the

- 1 tires on this site -- on one of the sites in Marin county
- 2 were actually used.
- 3 So what we're going to suggest is that we address
- 4 the other 6 grants today and that we do a little bit more
- 5 work in the next couple of days to make sure that the
- 6 information that we have from the property owner, that
- 7 they weren't involved in this at all, and that these tires
- 8 were not used for erosion control is correct. So then we
- 9 can report back to you at the Board meeting.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: And which one was
- 11 that, Howard?
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: It's the Marin --
- 13 application listed as number 7 in the item, and it's the
- 14 Grossey Ranch Site. It's a site where we have approved
- 15 previous farm and ranch cleanup funds. And they're coming
- 16 in just to finish off the project. But because of this
- 17 newspaper article, I don't want the Board to be in a
- 18 position of exposure and I just want to make sure that
- 19 we've got this -- the I's dotted and the T's crossed.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Howard.
- 21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: So with that I'll turn
- 22 it over to Carla and we'll be kind of on-the-run here
- 23 making some adjustments in the numbers of dollars that
- 24 we're recommending today.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you.

- 1 MS. REPUCCI: Good morning, Madam Chair and
- 2 members of the Committee. My name is Carl Repucci and I
- 3 will present Item E for the consideration of 7
- 4 applications for farm and ranch solid waste cleanup and
- 5 abatement grants. The amount requested in these
- 6 applications being brought before you today is -- is
- 7 \$257,667.68, and represent the first award of this fiscal
- 8 year.
- 9 The Farm and Ranch Grant Program provides up to
- 10 \$1 million each year to local governments, resource
- 11 conservation districts and Native American Tribes to clean
- 12 up illegal disposal sites on farm and ranch property.
- 13 There's \$952,150 in the fund for this fiscal
- 14 year. Seven applications requesting the cleanup of 11
- 15 sites were received this quarter. The applications were
- 16 reviewed for eligibility, scored and are being
- 17 recommending for approval today.
- 18 Approval of these applications as recommended
- 19 would leave -- and I'm sorry I didn't adjust that number.
- 20 It would be \$676,017.32 minus \$18,465. The sites being
- 21 requested for cleanup are in the counties of Mendocino,
- 22 Shasta, Tulare, Kern, Yolo and Marin.
- 23 Removal of the waste will restore the properties
- 24 back to their natural state and remove the threat to
- 25 public health and safety and the environment. All 7

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- 1 applicants have indicated efforts to prevent waste from
- 2 being redeposited. The efforts include fencing, large
- 3 boulders, gates, the posting of signs and increased
- 4 surveillance.
- 5 Agenda Item E is for the consideration of 7
- 6 grants applications for farm and ranch solid waste cleanup
- 7 and abatement grants. Each application meets the
- 8 eligibility requirements set forth by the statute.
- 9 Therefore, staff recommends the Board adopt Resolution
- 10 2005-239 authorizing the award of up to \$257,667.68 for
- 11 the grant applications from the Resource Conversation
- 12 Districts of Tulare and Yolo counties, Mendocino Solid
- 13 Waste Management Authority and the counties of Shasta and
- 14 Marin and directing staff to develop and execute grant
- 15 agreements.
- 16 This concludes my presentation. Are there any
- 17 questions?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Howard.
- 19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Clearly, Madam Chair
- 20 and Board Members, we are going to have to revise the
- 21 resolution unless we can come back to you next week with
- 22 satisfactory information indicating that the Marin -- the
- 23 second Marin application is okay.
- 24 So what I'd like to suggest, with your
- 25 indulgence, is that we go head and approve the award of

- 1 the 6 grants that Carla has just talked about and the
- 2 total funding, place it on fiscal consent and then we
- 3 report to you at the Board meeting next week on the status
- 4 of the 7th.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay, that's fine with me.
- 6 Do the other committee members concur?
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Yeah, that's fine.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: And then Board Chair Marin has
- 9 a question.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: I thought I read
- 11 something that it's a maximum of \$50,000 from.
- 12 MS. REPUCCI: It's a maximum of \$50,000 per site
- 13 per cleanup project.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So the 2 in Marin
- 15 county, once is almost \$50,000 short by \$20. Does that
- 16 include taxes?
- 17 (Laughter.)
- 18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: They're different
- 19 sites though, so each site could be up to 50.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay, so each site. So
- 21 it's only the second one, the 18,000, the one that we have
- 22 a question with. Even though there is -- on the first one
- 23 there's over 7,000 tires, the other one is a lot less,
- 24 isn't it?
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Yes.

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1 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So you're just going to

- 2 have -- you're going to answer those questions before the
- 3 Board meeting.
- 4 Now, on the Tulare County that one is a little
- 5 bit more than 50,000, that's -- is that -- oh, because
- 6 they're 3 sites.
- 7 MS. REPUCCI: I believe that one was two sites.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: On the Yolo?
- 9 MS. REPPUCI: You mentioned Tulare.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: I'm sorry, did I say
- 11 Tulare, I'm sorry. Yolo, it's 63,000, but that's because
- 12 there's 3 sites, so it literally could have been up to
- 13 150,000?
- MS. REPUCCI: Correct.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay. All right. That
- 16 sounds good to me.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. Do we have a motion to
- 18 approve -- and this resolution would be revised, correct
- 19 Elliot?
- 20 STAFF COUNSEL BLOCK: That's correct.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay, thank you.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: So we approve it
- 23 as is?
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: No, we would need a motion to
- 25 approve 2005-239, revised, which would delete the 1

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- 1 application by Marin county for \$18,465.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Madam Chair, I'd
- 3 like to move adoption of Resolution 2005-239, revised,
- 4 with the exclusion of Marin County's second application.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Second.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: We have a motion by Board
- 7 Member Washington seconded by Board Chair Marin.
- 8 Please call the roll.
- 9 SECRETARY DUCLO: Marin?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington?
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY DUCLO: Mulé?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Aye.
- 15 And we will put this on fiscal consent, and
- 16 hopefully in the meantime, you'll have the answers on
- 17 Marin county application number 2.
- 18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Thank you. And if we
- 19 do have sufficient information to recommend that, then we
- 20 will revise the resolution once again to reinclude those.
- 21 I just want to be careful here.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Revise Revise.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Revise to the
- 24 revise of the revise.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Great, the revision of the

- 1 revision. Okay, very good, thank you, Howard and staff.
- 2 Our next item is Committee Item F and Board Item
- 3 number 5.
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: We have a couple of
- 5 permits coming up from Sacramento county. The first one
- 6 is Agenda Item 5 will be presented by Bea Poroli. This is
- 7 consideration of a new full solid waste facilities permit
- 8 for the K&M Recycling, also known as Recycle America
- 9 Alliance, facility in Sacramento county.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Good morning, Bea.
- MS. POROLI: The proposed permit is to allow the
- 12 operation of a new compostable material handling and
- 13 construction and demolition and inert debris processing
- 14 facility. As we have indicated on page 5-4 of the agenda
- 15 item, at the time that the item was prepared, staff had
- 16 yet to determine the consistency of the facility design
- 17 and operation with State minimum standards.
- 18 Staff conducted a pre-permit inspection on August
- 19 15th, 2005 and cited 1 violation of state minimum
- 20 standards. On September 8th, 2005 the LEA confirmed that
- 21 the violation had been corrected.
- 22 Staff have now determined that all of the
- 23 requirements have been met. In conclusion, staff
- 24 recommends that the Board adopt Solid Waste Facilities
- 25 Permit Decision Number 2005-240 concurring in the issuance

- 1 of the solid waste facilities permit number 34-AA-0191.
- 2 The LEA and operator are present to answer any questions
- 3 you may have.
- 4 This concludes staff's presentation.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Bea. Are there any
- 6 questions of the Committee Members for the operator?
- 7 No questions for the operator?
- 8 I don't know if the operator wants to come up and
- 9 say a few words?
- 10 Yes, no?
- No, they're okay.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: I have a question. Let
- 13 me ask you something, are we increasing something for the
- 14 permit or are we just allowing to do something new that
- 15 they had not done?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: This is a new full
- 17 solid waste.
- MS. POROLI: They're currently operating as a
- 19 recycling center, so they're going to get a full permit to
- 20 operate as a solid waste facility now, instead of a
- 21 recycling center. So we're going to increase tonnage
- 22 from -- we're not going to increase tonnage. Well, they
- 23 will be increasing tonnage 1,500 tons per day, which is
- 24 what they've been taking. But because of the new
- 25 regulations coming into effect, they were no longer

- 1 excluded from our jurisdiction. And this is the result of
- 2 the new regulations, the compostable regulations and the
- 3 C&D regs that brought them into our jurisdiction.
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: When those regulations
- 5 became effective in 2003, there was a grace period or an
- 6 interim period of 2 years for facilities to get their
- 7 solid waste permits under those regulations. So this is
- 8 an existing facility that now has to get a permit, and
- 9 it's coming in to get that taken care of.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay, all right. And
- 11 they have not had any problems, except that one small
- 12 violation?
- MS. POROLI: Yes, for signage.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: The letters were too small.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: You know, sometimes I go
- 16 to all of these places and you get all of these signs.
- 17 It's like wow. You're driving in, you can't really read
- 18 all of them, but they all have them, you know. Do they
- 19 have this one or that one up?
- 20 And their hours of operation are not changing,
- 21 right?
- MS. POROLI: Correct.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: The numbers of vehicles
- 24 is not changing, correct?
- MS. POROLI: Correct.

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- 1 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay, all right.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: And also I pointed out
- 3 previously I just want to make sure on page 5-3 under key
- 4 issues that first bullet is corrected, the number of tons
- 5 per day.
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: We will revise that.
- 7 It's says 100. It's supposed to be 1,000.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Yes. Thank you, Howard. With
- 9 that --
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: No we'll will revise it
- 11 to just 100 tons, you'll see their operator coming and
- 12 talking right away.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Do we have a motion then?
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: According to my
- 15 dash, it says 1 ton per day.
- 16 (Laughter.)
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: That's right. We'll
- 18 hear the operator coming in real fast.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: I think they would not be
- 20 pleased with that.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Madam Chair, I'd
- 22 like to move adoption of Resolution 2005-240.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Second.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: We have a motion by Board
- 25 Member Washington seconded by Board Chair Marin.

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- 1 Please call the roll.
- 2 SECRETARY DUCLO: Marin?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington?
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye.
- 6 SECRETARY DUCLO: Mulé?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Aye.
- 8 Okay. And that one we can put on consent.
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Thank you, Madam
- 10 Chair. And we will revise both that Typo and then also
- 11 the resolution to reflect the consistency with State
- 12 minimum standards.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Howard. I
- 14 appreciate that. Our next item is Committee Item G, Board
- 15 Item 6.
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Item 6 is
- 17 consideration of a revised full solid waste facilities
- 18 permit disposal facility for the L&D Landfill in
- 19 Sacramento county. And before Bea gets into her
- 20 presentation on this particular permit, I'd like to give
- 21 you a little bit of a background on a somewhat broader
- 22 issue.
- 23 As you know, last month our Executive Director,
- 24 Mr. Leary, reported to the Board on the LEA's granting of
- 25 a stipulated agreement for the L&D Landfill. And at that

- 1 time, Mr. Leary stated our view that this wasn't
- 2 consistent with the regulations and that a temporary
- 3 emergency didn't exist.
- 4 We subsequently have met with LEA to discuss how
- 5 to address this type of situation in the future. And we
- 6 will be developing guidance for all LEAs on the use of the
- 7 stipulated agreement of regulations.
- 8 But to me this L&D situation points out a broader
- 9 concern. And that's namely whether the existing solid
- 10 waste handling, processing and disposal infrastructure in
- 11 a regional area like Sacramento county and its
- 12 environments is going to be able to handle increased solid
- 13 waste generation that comes with population growth and
- 14 associated construction and another economic activity.
- This is a problem we're seeing in other areas of
- 16 the state, and in my mind indicates a certain frailty in
- 17 our overall infrastructure system. We'll certainly
- 18 continue to working together with LEA's and local
- 19 jurisdictions on any permitting issues as early as we can.
- 20 But in my mind this is also an important long-term
- 21 planning issue that we all have to grapple with, city and
- 22 county planners, and decision makers as well as the solid
- 23 waste industry and the Board, so that we don't start
- 24 seeing these situations and saying oh, in hindsight we
- 25 should have done something a little different. We need to

- 1 start anticipating these.
- 2 So I just wanted to raise that. You know, we'll
- 3 have internal discussions on perhaps a workshop for the
- 4 Board with planners and LEAs to start addressing this
- 5 generally and seek some further guidance.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Howard. I
- 7 appreciate that. Because I know that I've been approached
- 8 from other jurisdictions on the similar issue, the same
- 9 issue actually, and we really -- it does need to be
- 10 addressed. It is a long-term planning issue and we really
- 11 do need to take a look at that and determine how we can
- 12 work with the local jurisdictions in their longer-term
- 13 planning. So I appreciate your efforts in that.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: I would echo that, Madam
- 15 Chair. I think that, you know, often times when people do
- 16 not have the resources or they're not clear, people can
- 17 become very creative, you know, at getting whatever their
- 18 needs -- their needs need to be met.
- 19 So I think that we -- I would put the onus on us.
- 20 You know, if people don't have the tools, then they're
- 21 going to play -- there's going to be a make believe, and
- 22 this way if we have clear guidelines, if we have clear
- 23 stipulations, then we don't have to have all of this
- 24 stipulated, what do you call it, agreements.
- So, yeah, I would put the onus on us.

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- 1 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: And certainly the
- 3 workshop would help out in a huge way. Because one of the
- 4 things you don't want to happen, and I think Howard has
- 5 already foreseen, the influx of that particular issue
- 6 coming at us at one time. That's when you have a real
- 7 problem. And so if you could avoid that, and certainly
- 8 the workshop would do a lot to go along ways to helping
- 9 out with that situation.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Exactly.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you. Okay.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Thank you. With that,
- 13 Bea will go ahead and give the current information that we
- 14 have on this particular proposed permit, and we'll talk
- 15 about next steps.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Great, thank you, Howard.
- 17 Thank you, Bea.
- 18 MS. POROLI: For the record, there has been a
- 19 change to the proposed project, which will be discussed in
- 20 the presentation. You should have now before you a copy
- 21 of the revised proposed permit that was received on
- 22 September 7th, 2005. Copies are also available at the
- 23 back table.
- 24 When the proposed revised permit was initially
- 25 submitted to the Board, the permit was allowed -- was to

- 1 allow for the following changes: Increase the permitted
- 2 maximum tonnage from 2,540, to 4,125 tons per day with an
- 3 additional limit of 10,000 cubic yards per day; and to
- 4 change the estimated closure period from 2016 to 2013.
- 5 As was indicated on the table on page 6-4 of the
- 6 agenda item, at the time that the agenda item was prepared
- 7 staff had yet to determine the consistency of the facility
- 8 designed and operations with the State minimum standards,
- 9 completeness of the report of disposal site information,
- 10 RDSI; consistency of closure, post-closure maintenance
- 11 plan, and the adequacy of the funding for closure
- 12 post-closure maintenance and operating liability.
- 13 Since the item was prepared, staff have
- 14 determined that the closure and post-closure maintenance
- 15 plan meet the requirements, and that the funding for the
- 16 closure and post-closure maintenance and operating
- 17 liability are adequate.
- 18 On August 29th, 2005 Board staff conducted a
- 19 pre-permit inspection of the site and sited 3 violations
- 20 of State minimum standards and 3 permit violations.
- 21 During the pre-permit inspection, Board staff found that
- 22 the landfill operations actually started at 6 a.m. and not
- 23 6:30 a.m. as was stipulated in the permit.
- On September 7, 2005 the LEA submitted a revised
- 25 proposed permit to change the hours of operation from 6:30

- 1 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. through 6 p.m. Because the
- 2 LEA submitted a second revised proposed permit, staff are
- 3 in the process of reviewing the newly proposed hours of
- 4 operation for consistency with the environmental document
- 5 that was prepared for the project.
- 6 Additionally, on September 8th, 2005, staff
- 7 received newly amended pages to the RDSI, which we are
- 8 currently reviewing. Board staff are working with the LEA
- 9 and operator to resolve these outstanding issues. A
- 10 follow-up inspection by the Board staff is pending to
- 11 determine the status of the violation cited in the
- 12 pre-permit inspection.
- 13 Staff need to have the issues resolved in order
- 14 to make a determination of consistency with the State
- 15 minimum standards, completeness of the RDSI and adequacy
- 16 of the CEQA. Therefore, staff will provide a
- 17 recommendation on this item at the September Board
- 18 meeting.
- 19 Board staff will prepare an updated agenda item,
- 20 which will include the revised proposed permit and will
- 21 provide a recommendation by the September board meeting.
- 22 Representatives of the LEA and operator are present to
- 23 answer any questions you may have.
- This concludes staff's presentation.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Questions?

- 1 Board Chair Marin.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 3 I want to know the hours of operation, what were they
- 4 before and what are they proposed now? I couldn't find
- 5 it. I know the proposed is 6:30?
- 6 MS. POROLI: The current permit says 6:30 to
- 7 4:30. And they're proposed permit is 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay. Understanding
- 9 that there is one of the closest people there is at 50
- 10 feet away or something like that, if I read correctly. At
- 11 6 o'clock isn't that too early for some of these people?
- 12 Do we get anybody opposing this, at least that particular
- 13 item?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Did we get anybody that
- 15 opposed this item? Well, since the -- and when were these
- 16 changes made? When was this received, the change in
- 17 hours?
- 18 MS. MADISON-JOHNSON: The change we received --
- 19 the proposed revised permit on September 7th.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: The 7th.
- 21 MS. MADISON-JOHNSON: If I can provide a little
- 22 bit of history for you. I'm Mary Madison-Johnson with the
- 23 Permitting and Inspection Branch. I just wanted to let
- 24 you know that the current permit that the operation is
- 25 operating under, the template -- when they issued that

- 1 permit, the template said operating hours. And that's the
- 2 6:30 to 4:30 that includes that.
- 3 Previously, the operating hours had been 6 to 6,
- 4 and so I think there was some confusion about what is
- 5 operating and what is, you know, waste received versus
- 6 operating versus maintenance versus, you know, all the
- 7 operations that encompass the site.
- 8 So the operator has submitted the revised
- 9 proposed permit that talks about 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., which
- 10 would be all the operating hours, which would include
- 11 waste receipt, maintenance and everything. We're looking
- 12 at that document to see if it's consistent with CEQA.
- 13 Their information they provided is that's what
- 14 they feel that they have been entitled to all along.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: I understand. Then
- 16 we're going -- I understand that they're going to reduce
- 17 instead of having 16 years, it's now going to be 13 years.
- 18 So that's why they're asking for a bigger capacity to take
- 19 in. Is that what CEQA -- in your review of CEQA is that
- 20 going to address the -- are they also increasing -- I
- 21 would suppose, because it's a huge increase that they're
- 22 requesting, it's almost 50 percent, isn't it?
- 23 MS. MADISON-JOHNSON: Yeah, we have -- excuse me,
- 24 Board Member. We have analyzed CEQA for all the elements
- 25 relating to the permit except for the hours. So we're

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- 1 comfortable with everything.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Traffic as well?
- 3 MS. MADISON-JOHNSON: Traffic, tonnage,
- 4 everything. The only outstanding issues is are they
- 5 consistent with the hours that CEQA allows.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay. It's almost 50
- 7 percent.
- 8 MS. MADISON-JOHNSON: The operator --
- 9 MS. POROLI: Traffic is not increasing.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So how does that happen.
- 11 How could you not increase traffic when you have 2,500
- 12 going to 4,100, how could that happen? Bigger trucks?
- 13 MS. POROLI: It's the change in density. The
- 14 type of waste they're now receiving is causing a change in
- 15 density. So as result of that, the numbers -- the tonnage
- 16 numbers are going up.
- 17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: The actual volume is
- 18 about the same. It's still capped at 10,000 --
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So C&D?
- 20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Correct, capped at
- 21 10,000 cubic yards per day, but it's heavier material, so
- 22 it will weigh more even though it's the same basic mass or
- 23 volume.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay. All right, well
- 25 you guys are the experts on this. You tell me that.

- 1 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: So that means that
- 2 the trailers that they're going to bring -- the trailers
- 3 are going to be bigger then that brings the stuff in?
- 4 See, I'm trying --
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: We do have a representative of
- 6 the operator here, so if you'd like to come up and answer
- 7 the questions, please identify yourself.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Yeah, we don't know who
- 9 you are.
- 10 (Laughter.)
- 11 MR. EOWAN: Yeah, George Eowan representing L&D.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Good morning.
- 13 MR. EOWAN Good morning. To the issue of the
- 14 amount of material coming in, the cubic yards, 10,000
- 15 CUBIC yards per day, is maxed out, and that's not going to
- 16 change. What's happened is the type of material that's
- 17 come in is heavier than what was coming in before, so the
- 18 bulk density is now heavier. It's not going to change the
- 19 traffic. It's not really going to even change the amount
- 20 of capacity of the landfill. And actually it will
- 21 probably even increase the amount of recyclability of some
- 22 of the materials coming in. So there's a lot of things
- 23 going on that if you just look at tonnage, it doesn't
- 24 really tell you the whole picture.
- COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Clearly, because it's

- 1 not styrofoam versus --
- 2 MR. EOWAN: Right, exactly.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Inert.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Right. No, I appreciate
- 5 that.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. So we'll just --
- 7 Howard, we'll just be holding.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Let me just say, I'm
- 9 very sensitive to people. And maybe because I live in a
- 10 city that is heavily, heavily populated. But I do respect
- 11 people's opportunity to go to sleep when they can. And
- 12 somehow earlier than 6 o'clock it's -- and I don't know
- 13 that you can change it, but I don't --
- 14 MR. EOWAN: I'm going to ask Mike Lien to come up
- 15 and talk about that because he's there every day.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Good, he wakes up very
- 17 early.
- 18 (Laughter.)
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Listen, I got up today
- 20 at 4:30 in the morning, okay, but I try not to wake my
- 21 neighbors around.
- MR. LIEN: You beat me this morning in terms of
- 23 when you got up. My name is Mike Lien, I'm associated
- 24 with L&D Landfill. We have been receiving solid waste
- 25 from 6:30 to 4:30 going back into the early eighties.

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- 1 This is an area that is a commercial/industrial area.
- 2 There hasn't been anybody living in the neighborhood since
- 3 the late eighties.
- 4 I could tell you a long story that I'll make very
- 5 short where we actually operated for 10 years across the
- 6 street from a lady who lived there who didn't know we were
- 7 there until -- we'd been there for 10 years.
- 8 The issue of the hours of the 6 to 6, this is our
- 9 maintenance time where we have people out there who are
- 10 fueling machinery and getting ready for the day to start,
- 11 but we actually don't start receiving any solid waste
- 12 until 6:30. And so --
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So is that going to be
- 14 your request then to maintain those hours?
- MR. LIEN: That's right.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: So you operate at 6, but you
- 17 really don't receive waste until 6:30.
- 18 MR. LIEN: That's right.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Now, will that be spelled out
- 20 in your permit then?
- 21 I just want to make sure that we're all on the
- 22 same page with this and that the, you know, hours of
- 23 receipt are different from the hours of operation.
- 24 MR. LIEN: Yes, we're working with the LEA and
- 25 the Board to do that. And our plan is to actually, I

- 1 think, clarify what we have as opposed to change anything
- 2 and to make it very clear this time, because it wasn't on
- 3 the last permit.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Well, it sounds like it wasn't
- 5 clear.
- 6 MR. LINE: It won't ma'am.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Well, I really
- 8 appreciate that. And I understand the difference between
- 9 operating and receiving, so if that's the way it's going
- 10 to be, I really like that.
- MS. POROLI: I'd like to add that the revised
- 12 proposed permit does clearly state on waste receipt hours
- 13 and then operating hours.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Perfect.
- MR. LIEN: Thank you.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: We're speaking the same
- 17 language. It's all trash.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay. So we this, can --
- 19 we're going to --
- 20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Yeah. We'll go ahead
- 21 and continue working with the LEA and the operator. We'll
- 22 be looking at the CEQA information, which, of course, that
- 23 and the local -- the CUP are what condition the ability to
- 24 operate at certain hours. And we'll be looking at that
- 25 and reporting back to you next week.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: So we'll move it to the full
- 2 board with a recommendation.
- 3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Correct.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Very good. Thank you, Howard.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 Our next item is Item 7, Committee Item H which
- 7 has been pulled. And so our next item is Item I and it's
- 8 Board Item number 8.
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: And just for the
- 10 record regarding Item 7, which was consideration of a
- 11 revised full solid waste facilities permit for the
- 12 Northern Area Recovery Station in Sacramento county.
- 13 Again, for the record I'd just like to indicate Sacramento
- 14 County LEA has pulled the permit for the North Area
- 15 Recovery Station in order to provide time for additional
- 16 environmental review.
- 17 That evaluation will be completed prior to
- 18 proceeding with the solid waste facilities permit for that
- 19 particular facility, so we expect to see that back
- 20 hopefully November, or that time frame.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Good.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Howard.
- 23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Okay, our last item of
- 24 the day, except for our workshop at 1 o'clock, is
- 25 consideration of a revised full solid waste facilities

- 1 permit disposal facility for the Victorville Sanitary
- 2 Landfill in San Bernardino county. And Gerri Stryker,
- 3 supervisor for the section dealing with that region will
- 4 be presenting that item.
- 5 PERMITTING & INSPECTION SOUTH CENTRAL SUPERVISOR
- 6 STRYKER: Good morning, Chair Mulé and Committee Members
- 7 Marin and Washington.
- 8 I will be briefing you on Agenda Item number 8,
- 9 which is consideration of a revised full solid waste
- 10 facilities permit for the Victorville Sanitary Landfill in
- 11 San Bernardino county.
- 12 The proposed permit will allow the operator to
- 13 expand the total permitted area from 80 acres to 491
- 14 acres; expand the disposal area from 67 acres to 341
- 15 acres; to increase the maximum elevation from 3,130 feet
- 16 mean sea level to 3,182 feet mean sea level; to change the
- 17 depth of excavation from 2,900 feet mean sea level to
- 18 2,748 mean sea level, this will increase the capacity from
- 19 7.7 million cubic yards to 83.2 million cubic yards; to
- 20 change the estimated closure date from 2005 to 2059; and
- 21 to update the joint technical document to reflect current
- 22 and proposed operations.
- 23 The LEA has certified That the application
- 24 package is complete and correct, and that the joint
- 25 technical document meets the requirements of the

- 1 California Code of Regulations. The LEA has also
- 2 determined that the California Environmental Quality Act
- 3 has been complied with.
- 4 At the time this agenda item was prepared, Board
- 5 staff had determined 5 of the requirements for the
- 6 proposed permit were not met. As of this morning, Board
- 7 staff has determined that all of the conditions -- all of
- 8 the required findings have been met.
- 9 So based on that, Board staff does recommend that
- 10 the Board concur in the issuance of Solid Waste Facilities
- 11 Permit number 36-AA-0045 and adopt Resolution 2005-243,
- 12 and either adopt the county's statement of overriding
- 13 considerations as assumed or adopt its own statement of
- 14 overriding considerations.
- 15 Here today to respond to questions about the
- 16 project and how it fits into the regional infrastructure
- 17 are the representatives from the San Bernardino County LEA
- 18 as well as the operator.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Thank you, Gerri. Are there
- 20 any questions for Gerri?
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Yeah, just a couple
- 22 of questions. In terms of did we ever figure out, because
- 23 I know that there were some -- you were still trying to
- 24 get the information on the financial assurance mechanisms
- 25 for the facilities closure and post-closure maintenance of

- 1 operation. I think before, Howard, I brought this up
- 2 regarding BKK, and I want to make sure we don't have the
- 3 same problem, that everything has been worked out in terms
- 4 of their closure and post-closure?
- 5 PERMITTING & INSPECTION SOUTH CENTRAL SUPERVISOR
- 6 STRYKER: I was actually headed a memo this morning
- 7 actually in the meeting that they have -- the financial
- 8 demonstrations meet all the requirements, and based on the
- 9 cost estimate capacity and fund balance information
- 10 submitted that it's adequate -- closure casts are
- 11 adequately funded.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Okay, good.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: I have some questions.
- 15 Obviously, this is a huge expansion of a current landfill.
- How is that received by the community? Did you
- 17 guys have a -- I know probably even reviewing the EIR
- 18 there must have been some questions. Is anybody willing
- 19 to talk about that, please?
- 20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: I think we could have
- 21 both the LEA and the operator respond to that. I know
- 22 that the LEA did hold a public hearing under the auspices
- 23 of AB 1497 in March, and there were no attendees or
- 24 comments at that particular meeting.
- 25 But that LEA can provide further details and I

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- 1 believe the operator is there also.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Good morning.
- 3 MR. ADAMS: Morning. I'm Jackie Adams and I'm
- 4 with San Bernardino County LEA. And what Howard said is
- 5 true, we held a public hearing and we didn't have any
- 6 attendees.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: When did you hold it?
- 8 MR. ADAMS: It was at, I believe, 9 o'clock in
- 9 the morning in the city of Victorville at the City Hall.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: And not one person
- 11 showed up.
- 12 MR. ADAMS: No. And I think the operator will
- 13 explain a little bit further. This isn't new to the
- 14 community. This expansion has been going on for years.
- 15 So it's not a new concept to the public.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: The knowledge of the
- 17 expansion has been going on for years?
- MR. ADAMS: Correct.
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay. And you had no
- 20 environmental groups opposing this?
- 21 Wow. I would like to send you somewhere else.
- 22 We need to send you throughout the state.
- Okay. It's amazing. It's amazing.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: And while he's
- 25 coming, probably because geographically where it's

- 1 located -- and I'm going down, Madam Chair, Wednesday to
- 2 take a tour of it, and I'm sure it's probably because of
- 3 the geographic location, because it says like 1,000 feet
- 4 from the nearest residence. And out in that area where
- 5 it's open desert, people probably just have no interest in
- 6 caring about this -- where this stuff is. It's very
- 7 interesting -- I'm like you -- it's very interesting no
- 8 one has said anything about it.
- 9 Go ahead, I'm sorry.
- 10 MR. BOUCHER: My name is John Boucher. I'm with
- 11 Bryan Stirrat and Associates. We're the civil
- 12 environmental engineering company that did all the design
- 13 and the permitting for the landfill. And we started
- 14 working on it in about 2001. The concept of expanding the
- 15 county's landfill system to a series of regional sites was
- 16 first started in about 1996 through a project called the
- 17 Partnership Strategic Implementation Plan that was started
- 18 in '96.
- 19 Early in the nineties the county recognized that
- 20 they were going to have shortfalls of long-term capacity.
- 21 And at that time they could not show the mandatory 15
- 22 years in their siting element. So this process was
- 23 implemented. And at the time the county was operating 17
- 24 landfills all over the county. And I don't know if you're
- 25 familiar with San Bernardino county, but it's bigger than

- 1 some states.
- 2 There's 2 distinct regions. There's the valley
- 3 region which is heavily urban, and then there's the desert
- 4 region. And you're exactly right, the Victorville
- 5 Landfill is located several miles north of the town. And
- 6 what we found in San Bernardino county is a lot of these
- 7 cities want these landfills because they generate fees for
- 8 them.
- 9 And our firm started working on the Victorville
- 10 Landfill in 2001. And here we are today with you guys in
- 11 2005. One of the last things that kind of held up the
- 12 process is that when the previous contract operator was
- 13 operating the county, they didn't do a few things that
- 14 needed to be done with the county siting element. And
- 15 that was a process that actually put the solid waste
- 16 facilities permit process on hold for awhile. That will
- 17 come before you next month. We've shown local adoption
- 18 and we've done that.
- 19 But the Victorville Landfill is a large landfill,
- 20 but the area that it's located in is one of the highest
- 21 growth areas. San Bernardino county is a little unique
- 22 because it's not built out like a lot of the other
- 23 counties in the Los Angeles basin. So the plan was to
- 24 identify anywhere from 3 to 6 landfills that could be
- 25 developed as a regional site. In 1998, with the approval

- 1 of the expansion of the mid-valley landfill down the urban
- 2 area, the County was finally able to show 15 years of
- 3 capacity. But that landfill is being taxed, as we speak,
- 4 because there's still a lot of growth even in the valley
- 5 area.
- 6 So the Victorville Landfill is a very important
- 7 cog in the overall system for San Bernardino county. And
- 8 so you know, we'll be coming back for another expansion
- 9 for the Barstow Landfill some time next year. We're
- 10 starting the first stages of that as well.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: And, John, the question I have
- 12 then is included in your strategic plan you would also
- 13 then be planning for transfer stations to hall this
- 14 material?
- MR. BOUCHER: That's correct.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: I know I'm walking a
- 17 tight-rope here, and then what about recycling facilities?
- 18 MR. BOUCHER: We figured that you guys would ask
- 19 that. Their intent is to maintain diversion and achieve
- 20 the diversion rates that are mandated by law. The County
- 21 has yet to achieve, which a lot of counties have. It was
- 22 my understanding in talking to the recycling coordinator
- 23 this week in preparation for this meeting, that there is
- 24 some problems with how counties are reported. And
- 25 counties that are growing at a high rate, the formula

- 1 that's used to determine their diversion rate may not give
- 2 you an accurate picture of what's going on.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: The adjustment factors that we
- 4 currently use.
- 5 MR. BOUCHER: And in the county unincorporated
- 6 areas right now they're achieving about 41 percent. But
- 7 there is quite -- there's recycling activities that go on
- 8 at all the landfills. And then obviously the franchise
- 9 haulers have curbside. But the county themselves, the
- 10 Solid Waste Management Department is always looking for
- 11 things that they can do to divert more waste.
- 12 Because the idea here is to maximize the
- 13 capacity. It's not to fill it up, but the County does
- 14 want to be able to secure long-term refuse capacity for
- 15 their citizens. I happen to be a citizen of San
- 16 Bernardino county, so I have a stake in what they do. And
- 17 I worked for this Board back in the early -- or the late
- 18 eighties, and the County of San Bernardino has really come
- 19 along way with getting their system in good shape, the
- 20 landfills are run a lot better. But this is the last
- 21 step, we need to secure landfill capacity.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: And I applaud the County for
- 23 that long-term planning, which we were discussing earlier
- 24 is not apparent in other areas. But by the same token,
- 25 you know, we are here to carry out the mandate of AB 939.

- 1 And so I just hope that the County will assure us that
- 2 they're doing everything that they can to divert as much
- 3 material from this landfill.
- 4 MR. BOUCHER: Well, I have Art Rivera here, he's
- 5 the Chief Engineer. And he can definitely give you
- 6 assurance they're constantly looking for new things that
- 7 they can do.
- 8 MR. RIVERA: Absolutely.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: One of the questions
- 10 that I was going to have, and she asked it, so in this
- 11 particular landfill right there is the recycling
- 12 facilities or not?
- MR. BOUCHER: At this particular landfill,
- 14 most of the waste -- not most of the waste, but a majority
- 15 of the waste comes from franchise haulers. So there is
- 16 whatever recycling activities are done curbside. Then at
- 17 the landfill itself, they have a C&D operation out there.
- 18 They have drop-off boxes for source separated materials
- 19 for people that are private haulers -- or not private, but
- 20 public citizens in and around the area, because not
- 21 everybody is on mandatory trash pickup there.
- 22 So the C&D is their latest thing that they're
- 23 trying to get implemented and hoping that will be a
- 24 success and divert even more materials. For the month of
- 25 July they gave me a number of about 1,200 tons of material

- 1 that was diverted from the landfill.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: And this is through the pilot
- 3 C&D project --
- 4 MR. BOUCHER: Yes, that's correct.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: -- at the Victorville
- 6 Landfill?
- 7 MR. BOUCHER: Yes.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So there are no MRFs?
- 9 There is not a MRF at the landfill?
- 10 MR. BOUCHER: No. There is not a MRF at the
- 11 landfill.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Do you have any plans
- 13 for that or not?
- MR. BOUCHER: Well, I think the County is
- 15 constantly looking at different things that they can do to
- 16 enhance that. But many of the franchise haulers, as you
- 17 know, they run through a series of transfer stations. You
- 18 had mentioned the fact that how do they make this system
- 19 work? Well, there are several rural bin sites, community
- 20 collection centers, and full material recovery facilities
- 21 constructed and operational to divert wastes from the
- 22 waste stream.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: But there is a MRF somewhere
- 24 in the area?
- MR. BOUCHER: Yes.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: I don't know if you want to
- 2 come forward.
- 3 MR. RIVERA: There's one near the landfill
- 4 actually at the start of Wells Road.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: If you want to come forward.
- 6 MR. RIVERA: My name is Art Rivera. I'm with San
- 7 Bernardino County Solid Waste Management Division.
- 8 And, yes, there are a couple of -- actually, I
- 9 believe there's 2 MRFs in the area, one in, I believe,
- 10 it's like the Hesperia area/Apple Valley run by Advanced
- 11 Disposal. And then there's another MRF, I believe, run by
- 12 Burtec near the landfill. So there are 2 in proximity to
- 13 the landfill.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay. It's just that I
- 15 have visited a number of different landfills and some of
- 16 them have some MRFs within the site, some of them have all
- 17 kinds of programs where people drop off and so forth. So
- 18 I just wanted to picture it. I haven't been to that
- 19 particular landfill.
- 20 MR. RIVERA: Right. And as John mentioned,
- 21 there's drop-off bins there at the landfill to separate,
- 22 you know, the recyclable materials.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So how is this landfill
- 24 going to help the County achieve the 50 percent goal or is
- 25 it going to actually hinder it, because oh, now we have a

- 1 huge landfill, okay, let's drop everything there.
- 2 MR. RIVERA: Right. Well, as John mentioned, in,
- 3 you know, unincorporated areas of the county, which, you
- 4 know, is our purview, you know, there is the curbside
- 5 pickup, so they have recycling bins for your green waste
- 6 and for you recyclables. But again, you know, our goal is
- 7 to maintain the 15 years, which again is a requirement to
- 8 do that as part of the countywide integrated waste
- 9 management.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Well, now you have 79
- 11 years or something like that, right?
- 12 MR. RIVERA: Well, it's 54 years. One of the
- 13 things --
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: So it's a lot more than
- 15 the 15, but what about the 50 percent.
- MR. RIVERA: Well, one of the things to remember
- 17 is even though it's a 54-year landfill as proposed, we're
- 18 not changing the amount of daily permitted tonnage. It's
- 19 1,600 tons per day currently.
- 20 We didn't project hitting 1,600 tones per day,
- 21 probably, until I think about the year 2016. We are
- 22 currently, many days actually, getting very close to the
- 23 1,600 tons per day. So that 54-year landfill that you're
- 24 looking at I think is going to be cut down substantially,
- 25 because, you know, unprecedented growth up in the high

- 1 desert. Also our mid-valley landfill, as John spoke about
- 2 that one, it's located in the City of Rialto.
- 3 The growth is just tremendous out there. And
- 4 that landfill is going to close -- it probably has another
- 5 20, 25 years. Well, that trash needs to go somewhere.
- 6 So, you know, the Victorville Landfill can also, you know,
- 7 eventually, we're looking at that to be able to take the
- 8 trash that's going to be coming from the valley, once the
- 9 mid-valley landfill ceases to operate.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Right. You still did
- 11 not answer my question about how are you going to get 50
- 12 percent?
- 13 MR. BOUCHER: Well, you ask a good question. Its
- 14 a tough question.
- 15 MR. RIVER: Unfortunately, I'm not the recycling
- 16 coordinator.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: You're not the
- 18 recycling, you're just the engineer.
- 19 MR. BOUCHER: How does any county in California
- 20 meet the 50 percent goal?
- 21 Well, you know, we were at 41 percent now. And
- 22 the County has got to continue to work with the contract
- 23 operators, the franchise haulers and continue to try to
- 24 maximize what they're getting out of the waste stream.
- 25 But it's a difficult goal to meet, and the

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- 1 County, like a lot of other counties, is striving to do
- 2 that. And we have a. --
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Yeah, but many counties
- 4 are meeting it.
- 5 MR. BOUCHER: Many counties are and you are
- 6 correct. And all I can say is that the County is
- 7 continuing to strive to meet the goals.
- 8 MR. RIVERA: And the C&D operation that John
- 9 smoke about --
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: That should help a lot.
- 11 MR. RIVERA: It's already at the Victorville
- 12 Landfill and we're implementing that at other landfills
- 13 throughout our system. That will help.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: That will help. I am --
- 15 I just want to push. You know, what can I say, that's my
- 16 role.
- 17 MR. RIVERA: But we are trying and trying hard.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: We won't left you off
- 19 easy.
- 20 MR. BOUCHER: That's okay. That's all right.
- 21 That's a good question. And we knew that you would ask
- 22 that question, because when you go for a big landfill with
- 23 big capacity, the natural question is what are you doing
- 24 for diversion and recycling. And there is systems in
- 25 place and they'll continue to enhance those and try to,

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- 1 you know, get to the goal. That's their mandate, and they
- 2 have a whole section in his department that that's all
- 3 they do. In fact, those are the folks that briefed me
- 4 before I came to this meeting.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Well, we appreciate your
- 6 input. But by the same token, you know, we have a mandate
- 7 to carry out. And I know that our local assistance staff
- 8 is working both with the county and the incorporated
- 9 jurisdictions to maximize your diversion via a number of
- 10 programs, namely the C&D diversion. Since there is so
- 11 much growth going on in that area, it just makes sense to
- 12 develop and implement C&D programs, diversion programs in
- 13 that area.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Would you know by any
- 15 chance of all the cities in your particular county how
- 16 many of them have C&D ordinances, off the cuff, do you
- 17 know?
- 18 MR. RIVERA: I don't know.
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Not a clue.
- 20 MR. BOUCHER: No. My understanding was that the
- 21 focus was going to be on the landfill projects and trying
- 22 to get the C&D operations up and running in all the county
- 23 landfills for C&D.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Okay. Well, thank you
- 25 very much for being here. Now, we'll deny your permit.

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- 1 (Laughter.)
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Mr. Washington.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: And, Howard -- I
- 4 want to get Howard's attention for this. This just raises
- 5 another concern is public participation. We had some
- 6 discussion. To me it raises, you know, with such a
- 7 magnitude of this type of landfill to have a public
- 8 meeting at 9 o'clock in the morning really kind of
- 9 irritates me. And I'm being very honest.
- 10 MR. RIVERA: Can I step up for a second.
- 11 Actually, we held a scoping meeting for the EIR, that was
- 12 held in the evening 7 p.m. in the City Hall, City of
- 13 Victorville.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Okay, all right.
- MR. RIVERA: And that was for the EIR an
- 16 opportunity for anyone to come and learn about the
- 17 project.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: And how many people
- 19 showed up?
- 20 MR. RIVERA: Actually 0 people showed up. We
- 21 actually had one person show up and they were there for
- 22 the wrong meeting.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Okay. So nobody
- 24 wants to go and talk about that landfill. All right.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Mr. Washington, I just

- 1 want to let you know that more generally the issue of
- 2 public hearings is one of the issues in the AB 1497 permit
- 3 regulatory package that currently is in its informal
- 4 stages, but certainly will be coming to you soon for your
- 5 direction.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Great. Yeah, again
- 7 I wanted to make sure that we emphasized to our LEAs and
- 8 others that we would prefer that these -- ought to
- 9 encourage -- I remember words we were trying to pick out
- 10 of here that does not mandate, but we wanted to encourage
- 11 and certainly ask our LEAs to have these meetings where --
- 12 you know, that it's unequivocally clear that when these
- 13 meetings take place, it is at a time -- because coming,
- 14 Chair Marin, out of Victorville, people working in LA,
- 15 there's no way they can get to a 9 o'clock meeting.
- 16 They're note going to do it. They've got to get on a
- 17 freeway at 4 in the morning just to get to work on time.
- 18 And so I just wanted to make sure that that
- 19 hadn't died on us in terms of the public participation.
- 20 And if nobody showed up for that meeting, good for you
- 21 guys. Again, I can almost tell you where it's
- 22 geographically located is probably a big reason why people
- 23 just have no interest in really being involved with this.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay, do I have a motion?
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Madam Chair, I'd

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- 1 like to move adoption of Resolution 2005-243 revised.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Second?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Second.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: We have a motion by Board
- 5 Member Washington seconded by Chair Marin.
- 6 Please call the roll.
- 7 SECRETARY DUCLO: Marin?
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY DUCLO: Washington?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY DUCLO: Mulé?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Aye.
- 13 Okay. And this one we can put on consent as
- 14 well.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER MARIN: It's going to come back?
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: You've got to come back
- 17 with --
- 18 PERMITTING & INSPECTION SOUTH CENTRAL SUPERVISOR
- 19 STRYKER: With the revised item.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Well, we'll just
- 21 change in the BAWDS system this week so it will reflect
- 22 both the revision of the item to the latest update on the
- 23 financial assurances and the revision of the resolution.
- 24 So they'll be in your packet prior to the Board meeting.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Okay, good. All right. Do we

have any comments from the public? Seeing none, this meeting is adjourned. Thank you. DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: I just want to make sure, If I missed it, I'm sorry, but did you place this on consent? CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Yes, I did. DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Thank you. CHAIRPERSON MULÉ: Yes, I did. With that this meeting is adjourned. Thank you all. (Thereupon the California Integrated Waste Management Board, Permitting and Enforcement Committee meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.)

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